

COUNCIL DISCUSSES REUNITING CHURCH

Dissenting Lutherans May Return as Individuals.

AN EXECUTIVE SESSION HELD

Public Not Permitted to Attend, and Members of Council and Congregation Retained When Asked to Divulge the Proceedings—Announced Strong Man Will Be Chosen.

Behind closed doors, last evening, the council of Luther Place Memorial Church and a number of the men of the congregation held a conference on the matter of inviting the dissenting members of the church, who have been worshipping for six months in Vermont Avenue, to return to the fold.

Those who participated in the executive session were reticent when questioned as to what took place. It was stated that no definite action was taken toward reconciliation, but that the matter of inviting the dissenting members to return individually was discussed favorably.

Technicalities in ecclesiastical precedent and administration will have no inconsiderable weight in the manner of a reconciliation, should there be one. A prominent member of Memorial Church, who participated in the executive deliberations, said there is a desire on the part of many of the dissenters to return. He said all such would be warmly welcomed, and that there is no desire on the part of the church to prevent them from returning.

Must Make Application. But the dissenters must make application to be taken back individually, as any plan to incorporate one congregation into another would be without warrant or precedent, say those familiar with church administration.

Whether all of the dissenting members of the church will be invited to return, is a question to be determined. Some who left the mother church, it is understood, are more deeply grieved at the step than others, and likewise their departure is more keenly regretted, the feeling being general that many who left in haste would not have taken the step upon more mature deliberation.

When the insurgent members left Memorial Church and organized another congregation, they naturally lost all rights and privileges in the church they left. If the Vermont Avenue congregation desires to return individually, there is no doubt means can be devised for such a return.

Members of the independent congregation are keeping their own council as to their plans for the future. However, it is an open secret, however, that they will take no action looking to a return unless overtures are made by the parent church. A congregational meeting has been called for October, and it is likely action will be deferred until then.

The meeting in October is scheduled for the twofold purpose of taking active steps toward the selection of a pastor and of adopting a constitution, which has already been drawn up and is in the hands of the members for consideration.

Choice of a Pastor. Another matter, which will have a bearing by no means remote in the reconciliation of the two bodies, will be the choice of a successor to the late Rev. Dr. Butler.

It was stated last evening that there is a unanimous feeling in Memorial Church that only a strong man be chosen to fill Dr. Butler's pulpit. It was pointed out that the Memorial pastorate offers one of the broadest fields for a ministerial career, and the desire is everywhere manifest for the ablest and best clergyman to be found.

It is likely that Rev. Charles H. Butler will be asked to continue in charge of the work until a successor to his father is procured.

KNIGHTS WILL TILT.

Tournament Planned by St. Mary's Church at Pyleville.

St. Mary's Catholic Church, of Pyleville, Md., will hold its sixth annual tournament to-morrow. It will be on the grounds adjoining the church.

A great time is expected as most interesting programs have been arranged by the committee in charge. Cash prizes amounting in the total to \$120 will be awarded.

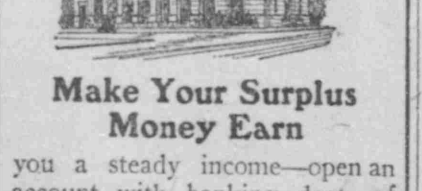
The charge to the knights will be by Hon. John A. Robinson, of Bell Air, Md., and the coronation address by Henry A. Osborn Jr., of Aberdeen, Md. The Stewartstown Cornet Band will furnish the music. After the tournament supper will be served by the women of the parish.

The judges of the tournament are: Dr. T. B. Hayward, Henry Macete, C. A. Andrew, William A. Hope, S. H. Coale, Howard Proctor, Dr. R. W. Ramsay, H. R. Loyd, Dr. H. A. Delcher, E. L. Oldfield, S. J. Advy, and J. B. Metzger. Timothy Redding and Harry Magnus will be timekeepers. Masters Ady Street and Thomas Bradley will act as heralds.

Hospital Will Correct Evil. An order put in force at the Emergency Hospital yesterday provides for a strict watch on all patients in the emergency room. It was the result of the escape of Grace McDaniel, the negro girl who made her escape Sunday night in a spectacular dash for liberty.

Fifteenth street to Pennsylvania avenue, under the belief that the surgeons were about to perform an operation upon her.

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BAN ON CANCER CURE.

Post-office Department Issues Fraud Order Against Dr. B. F. By.

Curing cancer through correspondence is not being encouraged by the Post-office Department. The "Combination Oil Cure," with "Treatment by Soothing Oils" on the side was the specialty of Dr. Benjamin F. Bye Sanitarium at Indianapolis, Ind., against which the Post-office Department has issued a fraud order. The use of the mails is denied to this sanitarium on the ground that Dr. Bye has no sanitarium, although he advertises to treat patients personally in his sanitarium, boarding-houses having been used to accommodate the few patients who called.

The department further discovered that Dr. Bye advertised himself as a "Fellow of the American Association of Physicians and Surgeons," as a "member of the Incorporated Society of Science, Letters, and Art of London, England," and other associations not recognized by reputable physicians.

According to the department, a chemical analysis of Dr. Bye's combination of vegetable oil that "cures cancer and tumors to stay cured," for the modest sum of \$15, which actually costs to cents, shows that the combination consists of cotton seed oil and some ordinary tonics.

AGED FIREMAN CELEBRATES

J. H. Jones Observes Anniversary of Ninety-first Birthday.

Member of Oldest Inhabitants' Association Assisted in Laying Corner Stone of Monument.

James Henry Jones, a prominent member of the Association of Oldest Inhabitants of the District of Columbia, who now resides at Seat Pleasant, Prince George County, Md., yesterday celebrated the ninety-first anniversary of his birth.

Mr. Jones was born in Middlebrook, Md., August 9, 1839. His parents both died when he was a child, his mother, one year after his birth and his father five years later. Shortly after the death of his father the boy came to Washington to be near his guardian, Jesse Leach.

At the age of fourteen he was a member of the old Vigilant fire company of Georgetown, and was present at the fire which nearly destroyed the Treasury Department in 1855, and at the fire in the old Post-office Department in 1855. In 1853 he joined the Anacostia fire engine company.

For nearly forty years, between 1853 and 1884, he was employed in the Washington Navy Yard, and retired on the latter date as master painter.

He assisted at the ceremonies at the opening of the old Baltimore and Ohio Railroad station, in September, 1855, as a member of the militia.

Mr. Jones was a member of the choir of the old Ebenezer, afterward the Fourth Street, and now the Trinity Methodist Episcopal Church, of which he is still a member. He also sang in the choir of the Wesley Methodist Episcopal Church, and later in the great choir of the Smithsonian Institution.

One of his proudest boasts is that he assisted at the laying of the corner stone of the Washington Monument. Mr. Jones was twice married, his first wife being Eliza P. Adams, of this city. His second wife was Martha C. Thomas, of Alexandria, Va. He has one living son, Melville E. Jones, and two daughters, Mrs. Elizabeth M. Lacy and Mrs. Eva H. Starr, both of this city.

AFFECTS MOVING PICTURES.

Corporation Counsel Rules Regarding Renewal of Licenses.

In an opinion forwarded to the Commissioners yesterday by Corporation Counsel Thomas, it is held that it is not necessary that the consent of a majority of property owners and residents of a 5-cent theater be obtained to have a license renewed. The opinion was in a case of a moving picture show in Seventh street, the license of which expires on October 1.

Assessor Richards was of opinion that to renew the license of a 5-cent theater of property owners adjacent thereto would be necessary. The corporation counsel says the establishment of these places of amusement cost large sums of money, and that the property owners give the consent for the license and operation, and would be an injustice to throw these men out of business, at great loss, because property owners would not again consent to the license being renewed.

TENNIS COURT RELIC FOUND.

Rubber Ball Unearthed Behind the White House.

A discovery which is of considerable interest to Washington scientists and archaeologists was made yesterday by workmen engaged in excavating in the rear of the White House offices for the foundation of the addition which is to occupy the ground used until now as a tennis court.

At a depth of about four inches the men found a small, round, covered rubber ball. The experts who saw it said it was used in the game of tennis, and that it must have been violently driven into the earth during the period covering the years 1910 to 1915, which is known as the Roosevelt era.

WILL DETERMINE EFFICIENCY.

Secretary MacVeagh's Committee Seeks Information.

The committee on the efficiency of the employees of the Treasury Department has prepared a blank, which will be distributed among all the employees of the department within the next few days, calling for complete information regarding their service. Each employee will be requested to fill out the blank, and another blank will be made out by the chief of the bureau in which the employee is located, giving the efficiency rating of the persons in his bureau.

Secretary MacVeagh has adopted a reorganization of the personnel of his department with a view to bringing it up to the highest state of efficiency.

HIDES IN STORAGE ON FREE LIST.

Assistant Secretary of the Treasury Reynolds decided that hides and Philippine cigars in bonded warehouses may be withdrawn under the terms of the new tariff act free of duty. The inquiry regarding hides came from Boston and New York, while the clear query was propounded by the collector of customs at Seattle. Mr. Reynolds expects little difficulty in the administration of the new law.

Treat Will Inspect Suburbans.

Charles H. Treat, United States Treasurer, left Washington yesterday for a short visit to New York, where he will inspect the suburbs. He will return to Washington to-morrow.

Last Days of Lawn Fete.

The lawn fete in progress for ten days at Brookland, for the benefit of St. Anthony's Church, will close with a church party to-morrow evening. The tables will be arranged on the convent grounds, which will be illuminated with electric lights. Prizes will be distributed.

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MONSTER PAGEANT PLANNED BY UNION

Reception to Gompers on October 15 Outlined.

OTHER CITIES TO PARTICIPATE

Central Labor Union Adopts Report Containing Plans for Mighty Welcome to Labor Leader on His Return to Washington from European Tour—International Significance.

In honor of the return of Samuel Gompers, next October, all the labor organizations of the Eastern States will unite in a mighty parade in Washington, possibly the greatest celebration of its kind held in years. More than 20,000 unionists are expected to be in line.

The reception committee made its first report to the Central Labor Union last night. It has planned the event on so colossal a scale that the meeting was caught unawares, and at first doubted whether such a big affair could be held. But enthusiasm prevailed, and when the meeting adjourned it was universally agreed that October 15 would prove one of the greatest days that organized labor has ever seen.

President Gompers will return from his trip abroad October 10. The celebration in this city will be a tribute to the achievements of the noted leader in Europe, and also a pledge of affection and loyalty to him.

The labor unions of Philadelphia, Baltimore, Wilmington, Richmond, Wheeling, Harrisburg, and all others of the surrounding territory will be invited to participate.

A Mighty Meeting.

The day will culminate in a mighty meeting in Convention Hall, where the victories of organized labor will be celebrated by its foremost exponents. It is expected the meeting will be a rallying point for all the men who have gained prominence in labor's ranks, both in the United States and Europe. The address of Samuel Gompers on this occasion will be fraught with international significance, for he will sum up his observations of the labor fight in the Old World.

This report was presented by Thomas F. Iglehart, secretary of the committee, and has been adopted by its members. There is a feeling on the part of many that Washington has never assumed its rightful place in the labor world, although it is the headquarters of the American Federation of Labor. On this account every effort will be made to make the celebration one of national significance.

The committee on the Labor Day celebration made a fragmentary report. It is hoped to have a brand new aerodrome invented by a Washingtonian, make its first flight on this occasion, and this will constitute the stellar attraction.

William Gilmore, agent of the Building Trades and Mechanics Council, and George W. Crosby, business agent for the United Brotherhood of Carpenters, aired their difficulties before the meeting. The central body refused to side with either and urged a compromise.

WILL IMPROVE SERVICE.

Extension of Watermain and Sewers Are Ordered.

Extensions to the watermain and sewer service, improvements to streets, roads, and other permanent improvements have been ordered by the engineering department as follows:

Two hundred and thirty feet of 8-inch watermain in Forty-first street, north from Fessenden street northwest.

One hundred and ninety feet of 8-inch watermain in the west side of Eleventh street, south from Monroe street northwest.

Three hundred and eighty-five feet of 8-inch watermain in River road, between Wisconsin avenue and Brandwine street northwest.

Trunk watermain in Belt road, from Dayton street to Forty-first street, and Livingston street; Forty-first street, between Livingston street and Western avenue; Western avenue, from Forty-first to Patterson street; in Sixth street northwest, from Bryant to Fairmont street; in Fairmont street, between Sixth street and Georgia avenue; Georgia avenue, between Fairmont street and New Hampshire avenue; and in New Hampshire avenue, from Georgia avenue to Grant Circle.

Ninety feet of 8-inch watermain in the west side of North Capitol street, north from Quincy place northwest.

Sixty feet of 8-inch watermain in West side of Eleventh street, west from Seventh street northwest.

Sewer in Eleventh street northwest, north from Lamont street, abutting lots 44 to 45, inclusive, of square 2961.

Sewer in F street northwest, between Twenty-first and Twenty-second streets, abutting lots 7, 20, and 21 of square 331, and square 327.

The Anacostia main sewer, extended to the established bulkhead line.

A catch basin at the northwest corner of Eleventh and Harvard streets northwest.

The roadway of Albemarle street northwest, east of Connecticut avenue, surfaced with broken flint for a width of 10 ft. 12, 20, and 21, and parcel 395.

Sewer in Meridian street, between Fourteenth and Fifteenth streets northwest, abutting lots 9 to 25, inclusive, of square 2678.

Sewer in Tenth street northeast, between Newton and Monroe streets, abutting lots 2, 3, 20, and 21 of square 331, and square 327.

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NOT ALLOWED TO DOCK.

Steamer Jane Mosley Loaded with Excursionists Held Up.

The ownership of the lower wharf at Colonial Beach has been a fruitful source of discussion since the holding up of the steamer Jane Mosley with a load of excursionists Sunday afternoon.

The Mosley floated in toward the beach and sounded the customary three whistles. No attempt was made to remove a blocking fleet of small craft. Then the Mosley resumed tooting. The beach was immediately filled with people who wanted to watch operations.

Ownership of the wharves at the beach is claimed by the Colonial Beach Company and by the Chesapeake Steamboat Company. Fred Dulany was on the wharf to look after the interests of the Colonial Beach Company. The town police was there to a man and later the mayor arrived.

The mayor claimed the control of the wharf belonged to the town and he insisted that the steamer Mosley be allowed to land. Dulany's vigorous language to the mayor resulted in his being hauled into court, where he paid a fine of \$5 and costs for disorderly conduct.

The Mosley finally landed her passengers at Classic Shore.

HARBOR MYSTERY CLEARED UP

Negro Woman Who Shouted Murder Sent to Workhouse.

Lillian Richardson Made Practice of Emitting Cries of Distress on Potomac Flats.

In Police Court yesterday Lillian Richardson, of 1121 Delaware avenue southeast, was sentenced by Judge Kimball to fifteen days in the workhouse in default of \$5 fine.

Shortly before midnight Saturday, while making their usual patrol of the local harbor, Policemen Osterman and Charles Little were attracted by the screams of a woman calling for help from the Potomac flats. In the park, directly opposite Twelfth street, they found Lillian Richardson and another negro, Daniel Mahoney, of this city, who had also answered the call. The woman was in a drunken condition, shouting in her language, and tried to resist arrest.

Her arrest clears a mystery that has long baffled the police. It seems that for the last three months the most pitiful and distressing cries of murder and appeals for help have been heard by residents along the river front. Every investigation by the police proved futile.

The convicted one had been arrested a number of times previous on charges of disorderly conduct, and it was noted that after her arrest on July 15, when she served a sentence of five days, these midnight shrieks were not heard. It is the opinion of the police that the woman is mentally unbalanced.

LOCAL BRIEFS.

Mrs. Mary E. Thornton, the victim of the automobile accident Sunday night at Chesapeake Beach, where she was killed, was buried yesterday at 2 p. m. at the Washington Hospital as being much improved.

Wah Lung, conducting a laundry at 203 F street northwest, reported to the police last night that his car had been robbed during the evening of \$75 and \$90 in cash. He told the police he suspected a negro woman who had been seen near the car.

William F. Lemon, assistant clerk of the Supreme Court of the District of Columbia, returned to the city yesterday from his summer home at Brookeville, Md., where he was spending his vacation. He was accompanied by Mrs. Lemon.

Brig. Gen. Edwin W. Atwood, U. S. A., who was sixty-six years of age, died at his home in Chicago, Ill., Sunday night. He was a retired soldier and had served for twenty years in the army, retiring with the rank of brigadier general in 1903. He left a wife and four children.

Charging that her husband, William Brown, kept late hours and became abusive when she asked him to give an account of his time, Mrs. Brown, who is a widow, has filed suit in District Court for a divorce. The couple were married on June 11, 1907.

Representative Alexander, new chairman of the Rivers and Harbors Committee, has appointed as his assistant, J. Fletcher, of the committee. Mr. Fletcher has long been employed in the War Department, and is recognized as one of the most informed men on river and harbor work in the service.

Dr. William Tindall, secretary of the Board of Commissioners, returned yesterday from a trip to the West, where he had been attending the Alaska-Yukon-Pacific Exposition. Dr. Tindall visited Seattle, Portland, Cal., Port Orford, and many other cities of the Pacific coast.

The police have been asked to look out for an Italian named Turilli, who is wanted in St. Louis for the alleged kidnapping of Grace Vignola, who was a girl of 15 years of age. Turilli, his cousin, aged five years, missing since August 2, Peter Vignola, father of the girl, received a letter from Turilli last week.

Mary Gray, negro, wife of James M. Gray, held at the House of Detention, charged with having slashed the throat of her husband with a razor Sunday morning, was examined yesterday by Judge Kimball. She was found to be sane and was committed to the House of Detention.

There was a great mystery connected with the case of a woman who was found dead in a rooming house, who was found by a neighbor, was reported yesterday as far recovered and as to be out of danger. At one time it was thought the child would suffer an attack of hydrophobia. Dr. B. C. Winter attended the child.

Margaret Hickey, twelve years old, of 69 Four-and-a-half street, who was bitten on the leg by a dog, was taken to the hospital yesterday. The dog was shot and killed by a neighbor, was reported yesterday as far recovered and as to be out of danger. At one time it was thought the child would suffer an attack of hydrophobia. Dr. B. C. Winter attended the child.

The funeral of Thomas H. Smith, of thirty-five years an employee of the Bureau of Engraving and Printing, who died Sunday, will be held at 2 o'clock this afternoon from the residence, 1231 I street. Director Joseph Ralph, of the Bureau of Engraving and Printing, said that Mr. Smith was a devoted and efficient employee.

Anthony Smith, driving a team for M. T. Pollock, charged with having worked his horse seventeen hours without rest, food, or water on Saturday, was fined \$10 in Police Court yesterday by Judge Kimball. The charge was brought by Pollock. Mr. Smith denied he had worked the team over.

Richard Wells, negro, charged with stealing from the Potomac Power Company, arrived in his baseball uniform, which he wears as short stop for the Rockville team, appeared before Judge Kimball. The charge was brought by Pollock. Mr. Smith denied he had worked the team over.

Collector of Customs Nyman was yesterday instructed by Acting Secretary McLaughlin to confer with the District Commissioners with a view to the placement of low-concealing motor boats on the Potomac. Complaint has been made that motor boats are operated after sunset without lights. The lives of those aboard and those in other smaller craft are thus endangered.

The funeral of Mrs. Susie Marian Tucker, daughter of J. M. Belt, an evangelist, who died Sunday morning at her home, 1801 Eighth street, will be held at 2 p. m. at the residence of the family, 1801 Eighth street. Mr. Tucker had been ill ten months. She was twenty years old and widely known in religious circles.

Jurisdiction at Stake.

Has the Interstate Commerce Commission jurisdiction of railroads in Alaska? This question has just been brought up in an important case filed by the Humboldt Steamship Company, of Seattle, Wash., and it develops that there is doubt in the minds of some of the commissioners on the point, and it will take a formal hearing and ruling to determine the matter.

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WASHINGTON MEN OPEN MASONIC FAIR

Colonial Beach Fete Has Auspicious Beginning.

WILLIAM F. GUDE SPEAKER

Six Thousand Visitors Flock to Potomac River Resort to Assist in Ceremonies—Large Delegation from the Capital—Mayor Watkins Sees Great Future for Resort.

A delegation from the Washington Chamber of Commerce, headed by William F. Gude, president, and composed of Louis Hartig, Robert Menzel, and Frederick Elset, and accompanied by more than 500 representatives from the various Masonic lodges of this city, journeyed down to Colonial Beach yesterday on the steamer St. Johns to attend the opening of the Masonic Fair.

Elaborate preparations have been in progress for several months past by the members of the newly-organized Colonial Beach lodge, under whose auspices the fair is being conducted. The new lodge was recently formed, with a membership of fifty, but during the last few months the organization has grown to such an extent that it now ranks well up among the lodges of the State of Virginia.

The fair at the outset proved itself a great drawing card to the people of the surrounding country, and all during the early part of the day a steady stream of vehicles and other conveyances poured into the town, until by the time the ceremonies were scheduled to begin more than 5,000 people were assembled.

W. F. Gude Speaks.

William F. Gude was invited by the mayor of Colonial Beach, W. L. Watkins, and also by the officials of the new organization to deliver the opening oration.

Upon the arrival of the steamer St. Johns, carrying the delegation of Washington Masons, headed by Deputy Grand Commander C. C. Seid and John Martin, the visitors were met at the wharf by a reception committee, headed by Mayor Watkins, who formally presented the keys of the city and escorted the visitors to the auditorium, where the ceremonies were scheduled to take place.

The fair was opened with prayer by Rev. J. J. Hartig, pastor of the Colonial Beach Episcopal Church, after which Mayor Watkins delivered the address of welcome to the visiting delegations.

Mayor Watkins dwelt upon the great strides made during the past season by the resort and called attention to the great number of improvements which are continually being installed. He asked that the people of Washington look more carefully into the great advantages of Colonial Beach over all other beaches in a radius of many miles, and by so doing bring about the obvious superiority of the beach to any other resort would be self-evident.

Among other things, he spoke of the contemplated railroad connecting Washington directly with the beach, and said that it was only a question of a short time before such a project would be actually launched. Indeed, he said that the preliminary steps had already been completed, and actual construction work would be begun at an early date and rushed to completion.

Thanked Visiting Delegation.

At the conclusion of his address, he thanked the members of the Washington delegation in his own name and in the name of his fellow-townsmen, and said that he hoped that in the future they would be more frequent visitors at the resort.

In reply Mr. Gude said that he could not praise too highly the great work that has been done during the last year and is continually being performed by the people of the city, and he heartily congratulated them upon the way in which they had surmounted every difficulty thus far. He could see, he said, in the resort a future Coney Island, and that it could be but a question of time before the much needed transportation facilities would be installed, which would make it easy reach of not only Washington, but Baltimore as well.

He was surprised, he said, by the changes that have been made for the better in the many novel features are being installed, which would make it easy reach of not only Washington, but Baltimore as well